

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

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Examiner: Teale, Michael J

APPLICATION NO: 10/528,914

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FOR: USE OF 4-PYRIDYLMETHYL-PHTHALAZINE DERIVATIVES FOR
THE MANUFACTURE OF A MEDICAMENT FOR THE TREATMENT
OF MYELODYSPLASTIC SYNDROMES

Commissioner for Patents
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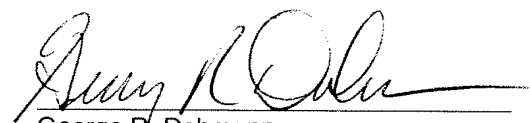
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

The Office Action of January 28, 2008 has a shortened statutory time set to expire on April 28, 2008. A three-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$1050 for payment of the extension fee. An additional copy of this paper is here enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

Respectfully submitted,



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